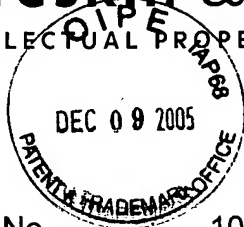


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Applicant : Brouwer, Gerardus J. et al.  
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Docket No. : 8494-21  
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## RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the office action of November 16, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

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